

# SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF ALAMEDA

## Summary of Proposal to Add rule 3.800 to Title 3, Chapter 5 of the Local Rules

### Discovery Facilitation Program

The proposal to add rule 3.800, entitled ***Discovery Facilitation Program***, to the court's Local Rules ("Rules") is part of the court's continuing effort to review, correct, and update its Rules as needed.

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#### SUMMARY

This new rule encourages the use of the Court's Discovery Facilitation Program and establishes that participants in that program must use certain mandatory local forms.

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#### **Proposed New Local Rule 3.800. Discovery Facilitation Program**

The Court encourages the use of the Discovery Facilitation Program for any discovery dispute that arises in a civil case. Good-faith participation in the Discovery Facilitation Program before filing a discovery motion with the court satisfies the meet and confer requirements of the California Code of Civil Procedure. Parties must use the forms *Stipulation to Participate in Discovery Facilitation* (form ALA ADR-002) and *Notice of Discovery Facilitator Selection* (form ALA ADR-003). Information and forms for the program are available on the court's website, [www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/DiscoveryFacilitationProgram](http://www.alameda.courts.ca.gov/DiscoveryFacilitationProgram).

*Rule 3.800 adopted effective July 1, 2015*